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Members of the public are invited to attend a public meeting of the Arizona Game and Fish Heritage Fund Public Advisory Committee (HPAC) will be held on **August 12, 2017**, at Arizona Game and Fish Department's **Sipe Wildlife Area**. The Sipe Wildlife Area is located southeast of Eagar and Springerville. From Eagar, take Highway 191 toward Alpine for about two miles to the signed turnoff at the top of the first hill. Drive south five miles to the Sipe property on a gravel road suitable for passenger cars.

Meeting Begins at 8:00 a.m.

1. **Call to Order and Opening Remarks:** Commissioner James R. Ammons will open the meeting with a welcome and introduction of HPAC members and Department personnel.
2. **Presenter: Larry Weigel, HPAC Member and Tucson Electric Power Company (TEP).** Will provide information on TEP's raptor protection program. TEP partners with the University of Arizona and the Arizona Game and Fish Department to manage a raptor protection program. The program is intended to keep raptors safe on energized electric facilities.
3. **Presenter: Ty Gray, Director, Arizona Game and Fish Department.** Will provide an update on bison management near the north rim of Grand Canyon National Park.
4. **Presenter: Sherry Crouch, Funds & Planning Chief, Arizona Game and Fish Department.** Will provide an update on the current Heritage Grant Process, including changes.
5. **Presenter: Sherry Crouch, Funds & Planning Chief, Arizona Game and Fish Department.** Will lead a discussion on potential impacts of a professional grant writer drafting Heritage Grant applications versus those prepared by a layperson.
6. **Presenter: Ty Gray, Director, Arizona Game and Fish Department:** Will provide Department, Arizona Management System (AMS) and legislative updates.
7. **Committee business: HPAC Member Comments.** HPAC members may provide brief comments on Heritage-related activities and/or events in which they have participated. This item is for information only. If action is required, it will be placed on a future HPAC agenda.
8. **Committee business: Open Committee Discussion.** The Committee will discuss:
 - a. Potential issues related to the Heritage Fund or Heritage-funded properties.
 - b. The Committee will discuss future agenda items, dates and locations for meetings in 2017.

- 9. Call to the Public.** Persons wishing to speak should complete a speaker's card and present it to Department staff. Unless prior approval has been granted by the Chairman, comments are limited to three minutes. No discussion or action will be taken by the Committee. Any items requiring further discussion or action will be included on a future Committee meeting agenda.

ELECTIVE EVENT: Field trip to learn about wildlife conservation efforts in the general area of Sipe and the White Mountains.

Background materials provided to Committee members concerning public agenda items are available for public inspection at the main office of the Arizona Game and Fish Department at 5000 W. Carefree Highway, Phoenix, Arizona 85086 and at the meetings.

During the public meeting, the Committee will afford any person, his duly authorized representative, or both, the opportunity to present statements relating to agenda items, with or without the opportunity to present them orally.

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